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AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE COLLEGE (ADC) COURSES – 1999

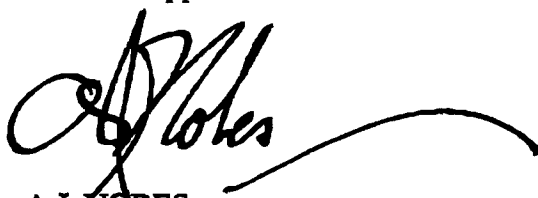
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A. Telecon Banks/Nobes of 10 Jul 98.

1. In 1999, the soon-to-be created ADC will be offering two new courses; the Defence Staff Course (DSC) and the Defence Strategic Studies Course (DSSC).
2. These two new courses result from reforms being implemented in senior ADF officer education and training, and are aimed at meeting the development needs of officers at the Colonel equivalent level. The two new courses will replace the current JSSC and ACDSS courses which will cease at the end of 1998.
3. Participants will undertake the two new courses sequentially, involving an overall attendance period of approximately 12 months.
4. The DSC will be the initial course in the 12 month program and is a four month course designed to prepare officers for senior command and staff appointments. It will focus on higher level defence management, strategic policy and defence and government decision processes. The eight month DSSC will then follow and is designed to develop officers in the areas of leadership and management, as well as to provide an in-depth understanding of regional and strategic issues.

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5. Nominees should be suitably experienced officers of Colonel equivalent rank.
6. The CDF will be writing to CJCS in the near future, inviting two officers from the USA DoD to attend the 1999 ADC program. In the interim however, you are invited to nominate two officers for attendance.
7. Course dates are as follows:
 - a. Overseas student familiarisation 11 Jan to 15 Jan 1999; and
 - b. DSC/DSSC 18 Jan to 03 Dec 1999.
8. The course will cost AUD68000 for each participant and will cover tuition and all course related travel. The USA will be responsible for costs of travel to and from the course, salaries, accommodation and allowances for their participants. Officers are required to arrive at the Australian Defence College, Weston Creek, ACT, on the weekend of 9 Jan 99 to commence the overseas student familiarisation period (11-15 Jan 99).
9. Early notification of acceptance and nominee details to the undersigned, would be appreciated.



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